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General Post Office, Edinburgh,

JANUARY 6. 1789

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Weekly Runner between Edinburgh and Wigton, by the way of Linton, Leadhills, &c. commonly known by the name of the Galloway Post, is now discontinued, and the following arrangement adopted, viz.

Bags will be made up and dispatched from this office, at eleven o'clock forenoon, on Mondays and Thursdays, for Leadhills, Moniaive, and New Galloway; and for Linton, on Tuesdays and Fridays at the same hour.

The arrivals from Leadhills will be on Wednesdays and Saturdays—from Moniaive, on Mondays and Thursdays—from New Galloway, on Tuesdays and Saturdays—and from Linton, on Tuesdays and Fridays.

By order of the Post-master General

David Ross Secretary.

This day is published,

By T. and J. RUDDIMAN, South Bridge Street,

(Price One Shilling.)

AN ODE TO HOPE.

To soothe the woes of human fate,
Hope was to mortal given,
To lift him from each wretched state,
And paint his views to Heaven

Request to return Books.

IT is requested that such acquaintances of the late Robert Wright, Esquire, as may have had the use of any of his books, will be so good as return them to his house, Old Coffeehouse Stairs.

Haddington, Jan. 6. 1789.

BY Order of the Convener of the county of East Lothian,

AT a numerous Meeting of the Justices of the Peace for the county of East Lothian, the Convener was directed to call a Meeting of the Noblemen and Gentlemen of said county, to consider of a vote of thanks to the members of both Houses of Parliament, who supported the constitution in the late vote of both the Houses of Parliament.

The Noblemen and Gentlemen of said county are therefore desired to meet in the Town-House of Haddington, on Monday next the 12th current, at twelve o'clock mid-day.

Commissioners of Supply of the County of Roxburgh.

THE office of Collector of the Land-tax of the county of Roxburgh having become vacant by the death of the Honourable George Cranstoun, it becomes necessary that a Collector should be immediately appointed for uplifting the arrears of the current year's cess and rogue-money.——A meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of said county is therefore to be held in the Council-house of Jedburgh for the above purpose upon Tuesday the 27th day of January 1789.

WILLIAM OLIVER, Convener.

NEW ASSEMBLY ROOMS,

GEORGE STREET.

A General Meeting of the Proprietors is to be held at the Rooms on Monday the 12th day of January current, at one o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Treasurer's annual account, and electing Directors for the current year.

HOUSE IN GEORGE STREET

To be SOLD by Private Bargain,

THAT elegant HOUSE, south side of George Street, near the Assembly Rooms, presently possessed by Mr Robertson Scott.——The house consists of twelve fire-rooms, two of which 25 by 19 each, with closets, cellars, &c.—Besides a pipe of water from the town, there is a pump-well in the back ground, very convenient during a scarcity of water.

Apply to Mr James Walker, writer to the signet.

☞ If the House is not sold betwixt and Candlemas next, it will then be Let.

BRAN FOR SALE.

ANY person wishing to enter into contract for Bran, for one, two, or more years, may please apply to William Watson and Son, addressing to them at Fenwick, by Belford.

N. B. A cargo is now ready for shipping.

To Leven Ropery Customers.

WHEREAS WILLIAM DOUGLAS, late Clerk and Manager of Leven Ropery, died on Tuesday last—This intimation is given for the safety of all concerned, requiring that the customers and correspondents of said work, and those that stand indebted thereto, on any account whatever, pay the same to Andrew Cowan, merchant in Kirkcaldy, proprietor of said Ropery, and to no other person or persons without his special order, who only can discharge said debts, in whose hands the books and documents are; with whom it is requested they will be pleased to correspond and direct their future orders, which will be duly attended to, and forwarded accordingly.

WANTED a CLERK and MANAGER for said Ropery, of good character, bred to the business, who can keep books and accompts distinctly. He will have a reasonable appointment, a commodious free house, and such a share of the business as shall be agreed on, who must find security for his fidelity and intromissions. Apply as above by letter, informing where and by whom bred, in what capacity they act at present, or have been employed in, and how long they have been at the business, which will be considered and answered in due time.

N. B. James Wilson, foreman at said Ropery, carries on the work as formerly, and will direct to a shop in Leven, who retails all the different articles made at said Ropery.

Kirkcaldy, Jan. 1. 1789.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,

THE MARY,

JOHN HAY MASTER,

Is now lying on the birth in Leith harbour, taking in goods, and will sail the 11th current.

This vessel is fitted up in the most elegant manner for the accommodation of passengers.

The Master to be spoke with at the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh; at Mrs Hay's, Leith, or on board the vessel.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,

THE CERES,

JAMES M'INTOSH Master,

Lying at Glasgow Wharf, taking in goods for Leith, Edinburgh, and country adjacent, and will sail the 14th January 1789.

The Ceres is a strong built vessel, sails fast, about two hundred tons burden, and only about eighteen months old.

This day is published,

Elphingston Balfour's Sale Catalogue,

FOR MDCCLXXXIX,

Consisting of near Twenty Thousand Volumes;
The lowest price marked at each book.

ALSO,

A Catalogue of a very Large Collection of Music,

Consisting of the Works of the best Masters.

This collection was made by JOHN CALLANDER, Esq; of Craigforth, (well known in the musical world) at great labour and expence during a course of 40 years, and his personal acquaintance with the great authors, enabled him to get the most correct copies of their works.

☞ It is requested of Ladies and Gentleman, that they will send for both the above Catalogues, which shall be delivered *gratis*; and, it is hoped, that all lovers of Music will attend carefully to this collection. The time, place, and manner of sale of the Music, shall be afterwards advertised, in the mean time, any person may have an opportunity of seeing it at the shop of Elphinston Balfour.

ENGLISH STATE LOTTERY,

Begins Drawing the sixteenth of February next.

HORNSBY and CO. at their old established Lottery-Office, No. 26. Cornhill, (licenced pursuant to act of Parliament) respectfully inform their numerous friends and the public in general, that they have now on sale a great variety of

TICKETS,

HALVES, QUARTERS, | EIGHTS, and SIXTEENTHS,

At the lowest prices.

HORNSBY and CO. flatter themselves that the propriety and rectitude of their conduct, for so many Lotteries past, together with the very great number of prizes they have had the satisfaction of dividing amongst their customers, will insure to them a continuance of that patronage and support they have hitherto so amply experienced.

Tickets and shares registered at 6 d. per number, and the earliest account sent of their success when drawn.

Letters, (post paid) duly answered.

THE SCHEME.

No. of Prizes		Value of each		Total Value
1	of	L.30,000	is	L. 30,000
1	—	25,000	—	25,000
1	—	20,000	—	20,000
1	—	15,000	—	15,000
2	—	10,000	—	20,000
5	—	5,000	—	25,000
10	—	2,000	—	20,000
24	—	1,000	—	24,000
30	—	500	—	15,000
103	—	100	—	10,300
15,150	—	18	—	272,700
15,318 Prizes		—	—	477,000
	First-drawn Ticket		—	1,000
	Last-drawn Ticket		—	2,000
32,673 Blanks.				
48,000 Tickets				L. 480,000

N. B. All kinds of Government-Securities bought and sold by commission.

By Mr Spurrier, at Garraway's Coffeehouse, Change Alley, Cornhill, London, by order of the trustees of sundry estates, formerly belonging to Sir George Colebrooke, Bart. on Wednesday the 21st January at twelve o'clock,

FOur Securities upon Freehold Estates,

for Five Hundred Pounds each, bearing an interest at five per cent. which is paid half yearly with the utmost punctuality. The estates upon which the said principal and interest are secured are very extensive, and abundantly ample. They consist of capital landed estates in the county of Oxford and Bucks, and also considerable estates in Ireland, the whole of which are conveyed to trustees for the purpose of raising the above and other sums, and to pay the interest in the mean time.

Printed particulars may be had fourteen days prior to the sale, of Messr. Winter and Kaye, Swithin's Lane, of Mr Spurrier, Copthal Court, Throgmorton Street, London, and at Garraway's.

SALE OF

Houses in Edinburgh and Canongate.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffee-house, high street, Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 27th day of January current, at six o'clock in the evening,

THE following Heritable SUBJECTS, situated within the city and liberties of Edinburgh, and in the lots under mentioned, viz.

LOT I. in the World's-end Close.

A TENEMENT of LAND, consisting of five stories, which was built in the year 1781, upon the area of the tenement belonging to the deceased Margaret Brown, situate upon the west side of the Close.—Each storey or house consists of three rooms, closets, and other conveniencies, and is at present possessed by five tenants at the yearly rent of 48 l. Upset Price 500 l. Sterling.

LOT II. in the Horse Wynd, Canongate.

That large TENEMENT of LAND, lately built by the deceased F. Brodie, situated upon the west side of the wynd, consisting of four stories.—Each storey consists of eight rooms, and there are two cellars for each storey.

The stories are so divided as to let in one or two houses.—This tenement is at present possessed by sundry tenants, at the yearly rent of 88 l. Sterling.

There is a pump-well belonging to this last-mentioned tenement, and an area in front. Upset price 880 l.

These tenements are substantially built, the rooms of each house neatly finished, and the whole in thorough repair. If the subjects do not sell in the above-mentioned lots, the houses or stories of each tenement will immediately afterwards be put up separately.

The titles of the subjects, articles of roup, and scheme of upset prices, if put up in separate houses, to be seen in the hands of Robert Donaldson, writer to the signet, to whom or to Alexander Nairn, accomptant in Edinburgh, persons intending to offer may apply for further particulars.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 28th day of January current, between the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon,

THE Centre House in Adam's Square

which belonged to and was possessed by the late Lord President of the Court of Session.—The entry will be at next Whitsunday, or at any other time between and that time that is agreeable. And, for the encouragement of purchasers the house will be exposed at the upset price of 1600 l.

Any person inclining to make a private bargain may apply to James Newbigging, at the Sheriff clerk's office, Edinburgh, who will also give information as to any other particulars. The key of the house is at the warehouse of William Lamb upholsterer on the South Bridge, who will show the same.

MR JOHN WRIGHT, Advocate, proposes, on Thursday the 15th instant, to begin a CLASS for Students of the SCOTS LAW.

The Course is meant to be as practical as possible. The students are to be minutely examined. It will be finished about the end of April next.

MUNDELL'S SCHOLARS.

THE Anniversary Meeting of the Gentlemen educated at the late Mr Mundell's School, is to be this year in Fortune's, the Cross Keys Tavern, on Saturday the 24th instant.

Dinner on the table at four o'clock.

LOTTERY OF SILVER PLATE,

JEWELLERY, AND HARDWARE.

D. M'KAIN has now got matters so well regulated, that he has fixed *Monday 19th January* 1789, for the drawing of his Lottery, when he can assure the Public it will most certainly commence. There are yet, however, some tickets remaining on hand, and he hopes those wishing to adventure will take the earliest opportunity of providing themselves.

Schemes *gratis*, and tickets 5 s. each, to be had at Messr. Thomas Neilson and Co.'s, No. 12, South Bridge Street; Mr John Fairbairn, stationer, Castlehill; Mr John Little, grocer, Lawnmarket; Thomas Brown, stationer and printseller, Parliament Close; Mr William Raeburn, perfumer, North Bridge Street, and at his Warehouse, Glasgow; and at D. M'Kain's own house, Campbell's Close, Cowgate.

WANTED,

By Order of His Grace the DUKE *of* RICHMOND, *Master-General, and the Honourable* BOARD *of* ORDNANCE,

TO complete the CORPS of ROYAL

MILITARY ARTIFICERS and LABOURERS, stationed in Great Britain, the islands of Guernsey and Jersey;

VIZ.

CARPENTERS,	MINERS,
STONE-MASONS,	PAINTERS,
BRICKLAYERS.	COOPERS,
SMITHS,	COLLAR-MAKERS,
WHEELERS,	AND
SAWYERS,	LABOURERS.

A BOUNTY of FIVE GUINEAS will be given to an ARTIFICER,—and THREE to a LABOURER.

Young Men, eighteen years of age or under, measuring 5 feet 4 inches high, who are willing to learn any of the above trades, may be instructed in them, and when properly qualified, will be promoted to the rank and pay of Artificers.

No person need apply who is not of good character.

For further particulars, enquire at the Engineer's Office at the Castle. *Edinburgh, 22d July, 1788.*

HENRY RUDYERD,
Captain of Royal Engineers Commanding in North Britain.

To be SOLD by public roup, within Ramsay's Exchange Coffeehouse, upon Wednesday the 21st day of January 1789, between the hours of five and six afternoon,

THESE TWO LODGINGS, No. 47

Palace's Square, west side of Earthen Bridge, as bounds, consisting each of five rooms, a kitchen, larder, &c. with two cellars.

The progress of writs and articles of roup are to be seen in the hands of William Howison writer, Milu's Square, who has power to conclude a private bargain.

House in Old Assembly Close,

TO SELL OR LET.

THE HOUSE in the Old Assembly Close, Scale Stairs, possessed by and belonging to Mr Taylor, writer to the signet. The entrance to be at Whitsunday next.

This house lately underwent a complete repair, and being fitted up in the modern taste, is, in every respect, the best house of the stair. It consists of a dining room and drawing room 22 feet by 18, a parlour, two bed rooms, besides a variety of closets, some of them for beds; a kitchen and garrets, and two cellars go with the house.

For particulars, apply to the proprietor.

Sale of Houses, &c. South Bridge.

TO be SOLD by public roup, on Thursday the 22d January 1789, between five and six afternoon, in John's Coffeehouse,

I. The two UPPER FLOORS in Lot XIII. west side of South Bridge Street, consisting of nine rooms, several light closets, a coal-cellar, beer cellar, and wine-cellar.

II. The FLOOR of foresaid Lot, immediately above the shops, consisting of four rooms and kitchen, several large closets, and two cellars.

This floor is fitted up so as to answer either for ware-rooms or a dwelling-house; and these, with the two floors above, may be laid into one house, so as to answer either for a large dwelling-house, a tavern, or hotel.

III. Two SHOPS fronting Blair Street, with a Dwelling House connected with each. They have also an entry from Bridge Street; and one of them has a large vault, particularly well calculated for dealers in wines and spirits.

IV. A VAULT beneath the Bridge 22 feet by 20, with two contiguous cellars.

A considerable part of the price of each lot may remain in the hands of the purchasers.

The terms of the sale and the particulars will be learned by applying to Hugh Corrie writer to the signet, South Hanover Street, who has power to sell by private bargain.

The whole or any part of the property may be entered to immediately.

Such of the lots as are not sold will be LET upon lease

Tenement, South end of Leith Bridge,

FOR SALE.

To be SOLD by public roup within the house of George Gib, vintner on the Shore of Leith, on Thursday the 29th day of January instant, at five o'clock afternoon,

THAT TENEMENT, Oven, Bakehouse, and Pertinents, lying at the foot of the Sheriff-brae of South Leith, near the end of the Bridge, presently possessed by John Stewart, baker in Leith, and others.

The conditions of sale and progress or writs, to be seen in the hands of John Patison, Town Clerk of Leith.

House to be Sold.

To be SOLD by public roup, in the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 28th January current, between the hours of five and six o'clock afternoon,

THE DWELLING-HOUSE at the foot of Carrubber's Close, possessed by the late Mr Samuel Mitcheison, consisting of a sunk and four principal storeys and garrets.

The articles and conditions of sale to be seen in the hands of Francis and John Andersons, writers to the signet, who have powers to conclude a private bargain before the day of roup.

GOLF.

THE SILVER CLUB, given by the City of Edinburgh, is to be played for over the Links of Leith, upon Saturday the 17th current,

Golf-house, Leith, January 3. 1789. By order of the Captain and Council, JAMES BALFOUR Sec.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of Messr. JOHN BUCHANAN and COMPANY, Merchants in Kincardine, and of JOHN BUCHANAN, RICHARD PHILP, and THOMAS SMITH, the individual partners of said Company.

THAT a state of such of the bankrupts effects as have been converted into money, and a state of the debts which have been proved on their estates, and lodged in terms of law, with a general state of the bankrupts affairs, brought down to 4th day of December last, have been made up by William Lindsay, writer in Edinburgh, the trustee, and will lie at his house, Hope Park, Edinburgh, open for the inspection of the creditors and their agents, until Wednesday the 4th of March next, when the trustee requests a general meeting of the creditors, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, at twelve o'clock noon, to give such orders as shall appear necessary for the future management of the estate.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JAMES CRAIK, late Merchant in Dundee.

JOHN OGILVIE, writer in Dundee, trustee upon the said James Craik's sequestrated estate, hereby gives notice to the Creditors upon that estate, that he has made up a state of the bankrupt's effects which have been converted into money, and of the debts collected, with a state of the debts which have been proved and lodged with him against that estate, and a scheme of division for the first dividend amongst those of the creditors who have so proved and lodged their claims, which states and schemes, together with a general state of the bankrupt's affairs, brought down to this time, lie open for the inspection of the creditors or their agents, in the trustee's hands, in terms of the late bankrupt statute; and the trustee requires the said creditors to meet within the house of William Gordon vintner in Dundee, upon Friday the 6th of March next, (being twelve months from the date of the sequestration) for the purpose of receiving their said dividend, and to give such orders as may appear necessary for the future management of the bankrupt's estate.

The trustee further requires, that such of the creditors as have not already lodged with him their claims and grounds of debt with affidavits thereon, may now do so, in order that they may be entitled to be ranked on the second dividend of the said sequestrated estate.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JOHN CRAIG, Merchant in Eaglesholme.

THE Creditors of the said John Craig having met upon Friday the 2d day of January current, within the house of James Allason, innkeeper in Eaglesholme, being the time and place appointed for their meeting by Lord Swinton, Ordinary on the bills, at awarding the sequestration, made choice of John Galt, farmer [illegible] for the purpose of chusing a trustee at the said place, upon Thursday the 5th of February next.

Thereafter upon the application of the factor to the Sheriff-Substitute of Renfrewshire, he appointed Saturday the 10th day of January instant, at noon, and Saturday in each of the three succeeding weeks, at the same time, within the Sheriff Court-house at Paisley, for the public examination of the bankrupt, his family, servants, and others acquainted in his business. Of which this notification is made to all concerned in terms of the statute.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of ROBERT MILLIGAN, Merchant in Dumfries.

AT a Meeting of the said Robert Milligan's Creditors, held at Dumfries upon the 10th current, William Paton, writer in Dumfries, was chosen interim factor upon his sequestrated estate, and a general meeting of the creditors was appointed to be held within the house of George Johnston, vintner in Dumfries, upon Thursday the 15th January next, for the purpose of choosing a trustee, at which meeting the whole creditors are requested to attend, either personally or by their agents or attornies properly commissioned.

The factor further intimates, That upon his application to the Sheriff of Dumfries, the following days were appointed for the public examination of the bankrupt, and others acquainted with his business within the Sheriff-clerk's Office of Dumfries, at twelve o'clock each day, viz. the 17th 24th and 31st current, and the 7th of January next.

TO BE SOLD,

THE Lands of Wester Morningside,

with the Dwelling house thereon, and Offices thereto belonging, lying in the parish of St Cuthbert's and shire of Edinburgh.

These lands consist of 26 Scots acres, subdivided into three parks, all well inclosed, two of which are lying in old grass, and the third is in tillage.

They hold feu of the town of Edinburgh, for payment of the yearly feu-duty of 14 l. 16 s. 8 d. The composition on the entry of a singular successor is restricted to 3 l. 14 s. 10 d.

A purchaser can get possession at Whitsunday next of the house and grass parks.

The premisses will be shown by Peter Orr, the tenant; and any person wishing to purchase may apply to Francis and John Anderson, writers to the signet.

VILLA TO BE SOLD.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 28th day of January 1789, betwixt the hours of six and seven afternoon,

THAT Elegant and Commodious VILLA at ORMISTON, within ten miles of Edinburgh, and six of Haddington, a short way off the Post-road, the property of the late Joseph Douglas Watson, Esq. The house consists of a parlour, dining-room and drawing-room 20 feet by 18, with kitchen, servants room, and other conveniencies, on the first floor; six good bed-chambers and other conveniencies on the second; with good garrets above.

There is also stable for four horses, byre, large hay loft, chaise-house, and brew-house, cellars, &c.

The garden consists of a Scots acre, mostly inclosed with a high wall, and is beautifully laid out with shrubberies, standards, and wall-trees, all very thriving.—A purchaser can be accommodated with inclosures for pasture or labour, hard by the house, on reasonable terms. There are two market days in the week at Ormiston.

George Tod at Ormiston will show the premisses: and for further particulars, apply to John Moir, writer to the signet, Edinburgh.

The purchaser may be accommodated with a good deal of Furniture.

From the LONDON GAZETTE, *Jan.* 3.

Kew, Jan. 3.

HIS Majesty passed the day quietly yesterday, but became disturbed in the evening. His Majesty has had a very good night, and is calm this morning.

MAILS.

Arrived—Ireland, 4.—Flanders, 2.—Lisbon, 1.—N-York, 1.—France, 2.

Due—Ireland, 2.—Holland, 2.

PLANTATION NEWS.

St Jago de la Vega, Oct. 1. A committee, on motion of Mr Shirley, is appointed to examine into, and report to the House, the various allegations and charges which, by the agent's letters, and the minutes of the House of Commons of Great Britain, appear to be contained in a great number of petitions presented to that Honourable House, on the subject of the slave trade, and the treatment of the negroes in this and the rest of his Majesty's sugar colonies, to report the proceedings and resolutions of the British Parliament thereon; and, further, to consider whether it may be proper for this House to adopt any, and what measures on this important occasion, and to report their opinion to the House.

Mr Shirley prefaced this motion with a speech of upwards of two hours, and was followed by Mr Redwood and Mr Edwards. The arguments were most interesting, and fully equal to the importance of the subject.

Mr Shirley dwelt chiefly on the situation of the negroes in this island, and the abuses committed in the slave trade. Mr Redwood, in a speech of great neatness and elegance, was against any enquiry by a Committee, on the grounds that the charges brought against the planters, by petitions and pamphlets in England, were founded on ignorance and misinformation; and that it was beneath the dignity of the House to enter into so serious a refutation of them. Mr Edwards replied to Mr Redwood, in a speech that did equal honour to his understanding and his feelings. Perfectly master of his subject, his arguments were clear, persuasive, and convincing.

St Jago de la Vega, Oct. 2. On Wednesday the 3d ult. at half past three P. M. during a very severe thunder storm, we are informed, that the house of Mr Robertson, on Friendship Pen, in St Elizabeth's, was nearly destroyed by a flash of lightning, which fell on the south angle of the roof, and running down a rafter till it reached the wall plate, divided into four directions, one of which, in passing through the pantry, melted some iron and pewter utensils, set the boards on fire in several places, and struck down three negroes. Another direction entering the hall, shivered one of the bullet-wood uprights of ten inches square, from top to bottom, struck the Doctor senseless in his chair for several minutes, and deprived him of his hearing, and in part his sight, for that afternoon. Mrs Robertson and the overseer were also severely electrified, and two negroes, attending at table, were thrown down. It then took a direction through the back piazza, split one of the rafters in pieces, and tore out all the nails from top to bottom, and, passing through the back-door, melted a [illegible] of an iron boiler. Just as the fire dropped on the table, from the [illegible] fire, and the house must inevitably have been consumed, had there not been providentially a very heavy fall of rain, which extinguished it. The loudness of the explosion exceeded any thing in nature that words can express. We are happy to add, that the Doctor and all his family are perfectly recovered.

Oct. 25. Yesterday this town and neighbourhood were visited with several very severe claps of thunder, preceded by some remarkable vivid flashes of lightning. A negro carpenter, who was at work at the pen of George Wotton, Esq; upon the Port Henderson Road, was struck dead, and several boards torn from the house.

Extract of a letter from Port Morant, dated the 15th instant.

"The weather in this quarter has been very bad for two weeks past, attended with much thunder. On Saturday evening last the house of a Dutchman on the Bay was struck with lightning, which passed through the house, scorched him severely, and killed a negro on the spot."

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

FRIDAY, *Jan.* 2.

At four o'clock, Mr Hatsell, Chief Clerk of the House of Commons, having previously directed the Serjeant at arms to carry away the mace, which is a symbol of authority peculiarly annexed to the office of Speaker, rose in his place at the table, to address the members present, who attended in considerable numbers. His address was very short, and in the following words—

"IT is with great concern I have to inform the "House of the melancholy event which has hap-"pened this morning:—THE DEATH OF MR "SPEAKER."

Having communicated this information, Mr Hatsell directed the Serjeant at Arms to bring in the Mace, and then he sat down in his Chair at the table.

The Serjeant accordingly brought in the mace, and placed it not *upon*, but *under* the table, where it is always laid, when the House is sitting in a Committee. It is only when the Speaker is present that the mace is placed *upon* the table. After some pause—

Mr *Rose* stood up, and addressing Mr Hatsell, he said it was with great concern the House had received from him a confirmation of the report which had been for some hours in circulation, of the Speaker's death. He thought, that in the present situation of the House, a short adjournment would be the most adviseable measure that could be adopted; he would therefore move that the House should adjourn to Monday next.

Mr *Vyner* said, he did not intend to oppose an adjournment; but as some gentlemen doubted whether the power of the Clerk of the House, in the absence of a Speaker, or during a vacancy of the Chair, went further than to adjourn the House from *day* to *day*, he wished that some precedent might be read which might clear up that point.

Mr *Rose* got up a second time, not, as he said, for the purpose of preventing the clerk from reading precedents, but of informing the House, that it might possibly be proposed to them to proceed on Monday to the election of a Speaker.

Mr *Hatsell* then read an extract from the Journal in the year 1783, from which it appeared, that the late Speaker had, at that period, sent a letter to him (Mr Hatsell the Chief Clerk), informing him, that a near relation of the Speaker had lately died; and that he (the Speaker) would be much obliged to the House, if it would so far indulge him, as to dispense with his attendance for a short time.

It appeared also, from the extract, that the House granted the Speaker's request, and adjourned from the Monday to the Wednesday.

Mr *Vyner* finding by this precedent, that the House could, in the absence of the Speaker, adjourn for a longer term than from *day* to *day*, signified, by a *bow*, that he was satisfied; and Mr Hatsell having put the question, on Mr Rose's motion, it was carried without any debate, and the House immediately adjourned to Monday.

LONDON,——JAN. 5.

We feel inexpressible pleasure in being able to furnish our readers with the following good account of his Majesty, as communicated by Dr Willis, in a letter to a friend residing in Bristol.—He says, "The King is much better, as will appear evident, when I inform you, that wishing to have something done in London, he wrote a letter for that purpose, which was couched in as good terms as the wisest of his subjects could have done."

The variations in his Majesty's disorder are considered as favourable symptoms; and the accounts for some days past have given great hopes. Private accounts are likewise highly flattering. The intervals of reason last week were many and long.

Yesterday morning died, at Caen Wood, the Right Hon. William Earl Mansfield. He is succeeded in his title and immense property by his nephew, Lord Viscount Stormont.

The Queen is to have the care and possession of all the King's property, real and personal. This is what her Majesty has been so anxious to obtain, and not the Regency. The diamonds alone are worth [illegible] l.

The office of Chief Justice of Eyre is worth three thousand pounds per ann. and comes in good time for Lord Loughborough, if he should take the Seals upon the new arrangement.

By the death of Lord Grantley and the Speaker of the House of Commons, two valuable places are fallen into the gift of the Regent—the offices of Chief Justice in Eyre, North and South of Trent. In addition to the Chief Justiceship, Mr Cornwall had a pension of 500 l. per ann. for auditing the German accounts.

Earl Spencer goes to Ireland, accompanied by Mr Wyndham, as his Secretary; the Duke of Norfolk having refused that office.

His Grace the Duke of Northumberland, in case of a change of Administration, will be offered the Master Generalship of the Ordnance, which it is

The death of the Speaker throws public affairs into a new situation. The House of Commons is now completely disjointed, because it has heretofore been an indispensable form of Parliament to present the Speaker to the King for his royal approbation.

In consequence of the Speaker's death, this day is expected to bring almost as many members together in both Houses as were present when the grand question was decided.

Friday at half past two o'clock there was a Council held at the Marquis of Carmarthen's office, Whitehall, attended by the Lord Chancellor, the Right Hon. William Pitt, the Duke of Richmond, the Marquisses of Carmarthen and Stafford, the Earl of Chatham, and Lord Sydney; at half past four o'clock the Council broke up, when several letters were dispatched to Mr Eden, Ambassador from this Court to that of Spain.

During the council, a messenger arrived with a letter from her Majesty to the Lord Chancellor, which occasioned a temporary adjournment of the Council, while his Lordship wrote an answer to her Majesty, which he dispatched by the messenger to Kew.

The Great seal has been examined by several well versed in the *Lucinian* mysteries; and the opinion is, that it is pregnant with *illegitimate twins*, a *Regent* and a *Speaker!*

The restrictions to be imposed on the Prince of Wales, are to continue but for six months, Mr Pitt's desire was to have them continue during the time of the Regency; but this the Lord Chancellor opposed with a becoming indignation.

Summonses were sent round to the members on Friday to obtain a full attendance on this day.

The Speaker's Political character.

He was bred to the bar, but marrying Lord Hawkesbury's sister, left the bar, and came into Parliament. From his matrimonial connection, he was supposed to be one of the confidential junto. After the peace of 1763, he was appointed one of the persons to liquidate the German accompts, for which service he had a pension allowed him. Some time afterwards, he either differed, or affected to differ, with his brother-in-law, and joined the Earl of Shelburne's party; and was with the Opposition in all the questions concerning the Middlesex election, the prosecutions concerning Junius's letters, &c. But in 1774, he was made a Lord of the Treasury, which place he held until the general election in 1780. Sir Fletcher Norton, who had been Speaker, having given some offence to the Court, he was, when the new Parliament met, refused the Speaker's chair, and Mr Cornwall was chosen Speaker. Many members, several of whom are now in office, were for appointing the Right Hon. Frederick Montague, Speaker; and it was confessed, by all impartial persons, that he was the most proper man of all the House of Commons. After Mr Cornwall was appointed Speaker, he was made Chief Justice north of Trent, which place he held when he died, together with his pension, which was 1500 l. per annum.

THE OFFICE OF SPEAKER.

The first thing done by the Commons upon the first meeting of a Parliament, is to choose from among themselves a Speaker, who must be approved of by the Sovereign; and who, upon his admission begs his Majesty that the Commons during their sitting "May have free access to his Majesty, freedom of speech in their own house, and security from arrests."

His election is by a majority of votes, and his office is to act as President in putting questions, reading briefs of bills, keeping order, reprimanding the refractory, adjourning the House, &c.—The mace is the ensign of his authority.

The Speaker is not allowed to perswade or dissuade;—but only to make a short and plain narrative:—Nor to vote, unless the House be equally divided.—In this poise of opinion were the Ministerialists and Opposition, when the House divided on the Duke of Richmond's detestable plan of fortification;—and the Right Hon. Charles Wolfran Cornwall, by his casting vote, annihilated a scheme fraught with mischiefs to the navy and marine commerce of England. The zeal with which he seized this opportunity of doing his country service, will confer upon his memory a lasting honour; and ought to be recorded on his tomb as the best of praises.

On subjects of extreme importance, when the whole House is formed into a committee, it is usual to discuss the question in the same place though in a less solemn manner, and under another President, who is called the Chairman of the Committee. In order to form the House again, the mace is replaced on the table, and the Speaker goes again into his chair.

That the death of Lord Grantly should have preceded that of the Right Hon. Wolfran Cornwall, only one day, is remarkable from these Gentlemen having both held the office of Speaker.

The Speaker of the House of Commons has been on every former occasion, chosen by direction of the King; he is not established in his office, but by the approbation of the Sovereign: and the freedom of speech granted to the Commons, is in consequence of his application.—How these forms are to be dispensed with in the present instance, it is utterly impossible to say; we have our doubts however, whether in the present mode of proceeding, the direction of the King may not be feigned; the approbation of the King, also feigned, and the authority of the House of Commons, in fact, wholly supported by fiction!

The utility of the maxim which holds equally good in the political as in the physical world, *principiis obsta*, was never more apparent than on the present occasion. The first deviations from the right line of the constitution, have led the members of administration into an inextricatable maze: the death of the Speaker has given rise to an embarrassment almost equal to any thing that has arisen on the subject of the Regency!

Amongst the other consequences of the decease of the Speaker, no vacancy in the House of Commons [illegible] authority of the House, but by the sanction of the Sovereign or Regent for the time being: Until then no warrant can legally be issued for a new election. The only vacancies for the present are, the one for Surry, in the room of the Hon. William Norton, now Lord Grantly, and the other for Rye in Sussex, in the room of the Right Honourable the late Speaker.

Friday a Court of Directors was held at the East India House for the first time since the holidays, in order to examine dispatches from India, and on other business.

The dispatches received over land on Monday from India, contain the advice that the Company's settlements were prospering most successfully, and that there was no apprehension of their being embroiled in any disputes with the native powers.

Private letters have been received in town from Bengal, of so late a date as the second of June last, at which time we are happy to learn, that the Governor General, Earl Cornwallis, was in perfect health; and that, from the disposition of the country powers, a long continuance of the blessings of peace was likely to happen.

Friday Captain Applegarth of the Europa, and Captain Robert Pouncy of the Sullivan, East India ships, took their leave of the Court of Directors of the East India Company, preparatory to their departure for Fort St George and China, where they are to proceed.

The stocks from the period of the King's illness to the present time have fallen *three per cent.*

A most melancholy accident happened on Thursday last at Tunbridge:—a considerable number of persons were amusing themselves upon the river Medway, when the ice suddenly gave way, and twelve of them were drowned.

Not long since a terrible accident happened at Essone, in France. Some Members of the Academy of Sciences were making trial of a new salt, discovered by M. Berthollet, as a substitute for salt-petre in the composition of gunpowder. While it was working up into a paste with the charcoal and sulphur, much caution was directed to be used, and M. Letors, one of the Administrators General of powder, apprehensive of the precipitancy of the workman who was employed, undertook the task himself. A detonation suddenly took place which destroyed him, and threw a young lady, daughter of the Director of Essone, with violence against a wall. This shocking event produced the utmost consternation in all who were present; and M. Letors is infinitely regretted, who fell a victim to his humanity, from the fear of exposing a workman, with a large family, to that fate which he himself suffered.

At Paris the severity of the weather has occasioned such distress amon[illegible] the lower ranks of people, [illegible] robberies and murders are committed every night in the public streets; insomuch that it is dangerous for any one to go out after night-fall.

It appears that the Austrians have lost 80,000, and the Turks 100,000 men, in the last campaign.

An account of Capital Stock redeemed by the Commissioners for the reduction of the National Debt, on the 1st day of November last:

	£.	s.	d.
New South Sea Annuities,	421,400	0	0
Old South Sea, ditto, -	617,400	0	0
South Sea, 1751, -	143,000	0	0
Consol. 3 per cent. - -	1,499,500	0	0
Reduced, - -	562,000	0	0
	£. 3,243,300	0	0

Comparative state of the Customs, &c. &c. for the weeks ending December 28. 1787, and December 26, 1788.

	1787. £.	s.	d.	1788. £.	s.	d.
Customs,	43,119	3	7½	17,712	7	8
Excise,				136,026	0	0
Stamps,				33,366	0	0
Incidents,	20,164	6	3½	27,378	1	6
	£. 63,283	9	11	214,482	9	2

Mr CRAUFORD's DINNER.

Mr Crawford's hospitalities have long been considered to vie with the most elegant in this country: His entertainment on Saturday last, at his house in Grafton-street, is particularly to be noticed—not so much for its splendor, as for the noble parties who partook of it, and the discourse it has given rise to, among the fashionable circles.

What has made it a matter of more universal conversation, is the particular crisis, and the variety of the guests.

Sixteen persons formed the party, and the following is the list:

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales,
Mrs Fitzherbert,
Duke and Duchess of Devonshire,
Lord and Lady Melbourne,
Mr and Mrs Sheridan,
Monsieur de Calonne,
Duke of Bedford,
Duke of Queensberry,
Lord Duncannon,
Lady Elizabeth Foster,
Mr John Paine,
Colonel Fitzpatrick, and
Mr Crauford.

The Duke of York and Mr Fox were both invited, but excused themselves—the former on account of illness, the latter on a previous engagement in the country.

Extract of a letter from York, Jan. 2.

"Betwixt one and two o'clock on Friday morning, the post-boy bringing the London mail of letters from Barnsley, was stopped coming down the hill from Staincross common, by two men on foot, who unbuckled the mail, and took out the Leeds, Wakefield, Bradford, Halifax, and Huddersfield London bags.

"The Right Hon. Lord Loughborough has been pleased to give a benefaction of 50 l. to the General Infirmary at Leeds.

"The late Mr Bennet, sugar-baker in Sheffield, had accumulated in trade a fortune of about 14,000 l. and has left his widow an income of between [illegible] and four hundred pounds a-year during her life, with many other legacies, amongst which are the death of his widow, 1000 l. to the Infirmary at Leeds, and 1000 l. to the Infirmary at Nottingham.

"The greatest part of the ships which put into Harwich for shelter, from the late heavy gales of wind, are failed for their respective destinations; the only ones that received loss and damage there were, the sloop Ranger, of Aberdeen, Donald, who lost her anchor and cable; the brig Star, of Leith, Ritchie, cables damaged; the ship Rochdale, Hull, Lake, anchor and cable lost; the ship Active of Sunderland, Lewis, anchors and cables lost; the brig Flora, of Sweden, Yoring, anchor and cable lost; the brig Albion, of North Shields, Mum[illegible] anchor and cable lost; and sundry other vessels with slight damages."

PRICE OF STOCKS, JAN. 5.

Bank Stock, —
New 4 per cent. 1777, 92¾ a ¾.
5 per cent. Ann. 1785, shut.
3 per cent. red. 73½ a ¼.
3 per cent. con. shut, 74½ for the open.
3 per cent. 1726, shut.
Long Ann. —
Ditto Short 1778 and 1779, 13½ a 3-16ths.
India Stock, shut.
3 per cent. India Ann. —
India Bonds, —
South Sea Stock, shut.
Ditto Old Ann. —
Ditto New Ann. shut.
3 per cent. 1751, shut.
New Navy and Victualling Bills, 1¼ dise.
Exch. Bills, 28 s.
Lottery Tickets, 16 l. 3 s. 6 d.
Irish Tickets, —

WIND AT DEAL. JAN. 4. S.E.

BANKRUPT.

Richard Weatherill of Clipstone-street, in the parish of St Mary-le-Bone, in the county of Middlesex, victualler, Richard Mitchell, late of Keynsham, in the county of Somerset, merchant.—Samuel Punfield, late of Angel-street, St Martin's-le-grand, London, but now of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, hardwareman.—John Balch of Elder of Clare-market, the county of Middlesex, porterer.

EDINBURGH.

Kew House, Jan. 4.

"His Majesty had last night four hours sleep, and is tolerably comfortable this morning."

R. Warren,
J. Gisborne.
F. Willis.

Kew House, Jan. 5.

"His Majesty became less tranquil last night, but had three hours sleep in the night, and is in a state of tranquillity this morning."

G. Baker.
J. R. Reynolds.
F. Willis.

Friday at noon there was a Council held at Carleton House, which was attended by their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales, Dukes of York and Cumberland; the Dukes of Norfolk, Portland, Northumberland, and Queensberry; the Earl of Carlisle; Viscount Stormont; Lords Loughborough and Malmesbury; and Sir Thomas Dundas. The Council sat for upwards of three hours

On Monday laſt, the Houſe of Commons proceeded to the election of a Speaker, when the Right Hon. William Wyndham Grenville, brother of the Marquis of Buckingham, was choſen by a majority of 73. The other candidate was Sir Gilbert Elliot.

The Lady of Sir Alexander Ramſay Irvine of Balmain, Baronet, died here this morning.

Died, on the 2d inſt. at Calderwood, Sir Will. Maxwell of Calderwood, Bart. He is ſucceeded by his only ſurviving ſon.

Friday laſt died at Captaintown, Mr William M'Kinnell, late merchant in Dumfries.

Yeſterday morning, arrived in Leith Roads the Venus, Captain William Gavin, from Charente, laden with brandy and vinegar.

We hear the perſons concerned in the aſſault and riot at the Calton-hill in November laſt, have been ſerved with their indictment, to ſtand trial before the Lord Provoſt, as High Sheriff, and the Magiſtrates, as Sheriff-deputes, with a jury. The trial is expected to come on on Monday ſe'ennight in the Parliament Houſe.

On Friday evening about eight o'clock, a woman was knocked down with a bludgeon, by a man at the Sciennes, who cut her on the head, and robbed her of twelve or thirteen ſhillings.

The Miniſter of Gorbals, Glaſgow, by ſeveral well-timed charities he has of late received, with ſome aſſiſtance from his ſeſſion, has been enabled to give unto eighty-ſeven families in his pariſh, coals in this inclement ſeaſon; to ſome carts, to others half carts, and to others the fourth of a cart, according as their different circumſtances required.

On Monday laſt the Trades Houſe of Glaſgow, having met on purpoſe to vote a letter of thanks to the Right Hon. William Pitt, for his late conſtitutional conduct in the Houſe of Commons; the ſame was carried by a majority, and the Deacon Convener requeſted to forward the letter immediately.—Twenty-five members voted for the addreſs and twenty againſt addreſſing.

Betwixt nine and ten on Wedneſday night, the 31ſt ult. a fire broke out in a hay loft in Campbell ſtreet, Glaſgow, a little eaſt of the Saracen's Head inn. The roof was burnt, and that of two adjoining houſes, by which three families were burnt out. The flames raged with great violence, and threatened deſtruction to a number of other buildings covered with thatch, which were happily preſerved. The attendance of the Magiſtrates, with a party of the 55th regiment, and the cheerful aſſiſtance given by all ranks of people, contributed greatly in extinguiſhing the fire.

About twelve o'clock on Tueſday, a fire broke out in a thatched houſe in the Kirkgate Dumfries, which in a ſhort time conſumed the ſame; but by the activity of the Magiſtrates, aſſiſted by the inhabitants, it was happily prevented from damaging the adjoining buildings.

Saturday laſt, part of a ſtone quarry near Langſide fell down upon two men who were at work in the quarry. One of them was inſtantly killed, and the other died in an hour after. He has left a widow with four young children.

Some days ago two men of the name of Ligget and Carmichal, were apprehended for breaking into the warehouſe of John Lauder ſhopkeeper, Dumfries, and ſtealing out of it a caſk, containing twenty gallons, or thereby, of Britiſh ſpirits. They were carried before the Juſtices of this county; and after a long examination of themſelves, and witneſſes to prove their guilt, were committed to priſon to ſtand trial for the offence before the High Court of Juſticiary.

Yeſterday ſe'ennight, between eleven and twelve o'clock at night, an attempt was made to break into the warehouſe of William Grainger, in Bridgend of Dumfries. The villain, who had on a large whitiſh coat, made the attempt, by forcing a window below a room where a perſon was ſleeping,—who being awakened by the noiſe, got out of bed, and having lighted a candle, looked out of the window, and plainly ſaw the colour of the villain's coat, who immediately made off.

Laſt week, the following ſwindling trick was diſcovered at Aberdeen. A journeyman taylor called at a clothier's ſhop for his patterns or ſwatches, in the name of a lady whom he knew to be acuſtomer of the ſhop; he got the patterns, and returned in a ſhort time, ſaying the lady had pitched upon a particular piece of cloth for a coat for her ſervant, and had deſired him to take it off, which he accordingly did, along with lining and mounting, deſiring the whole to be put to the lady's account, which was accordingly done. On ſending the lady her account, it was diſcovered the whole was a fiction, the lady never having ordered ſuch articles. The taylor was thereupon apprehended, and committed to priſon by the Magiſtrates in order to ſtand trial. In the mean time the above inſtance ſhould make ſhopkeepers very careful in truſting their goods to ſuch perſons, unleſs they bring proper authorities from the perſons in whoſe names they come.

Horſe Tax.—Laſt week the queſtion, which has long been debated between the public and the farmers of the poſt- orſe duties, was finally determined in the Court of King's Bench, before Lord Kenyon and the other Judges of that Court;—when it was ſolemnly adjudged, "That the hiring a horſe for any diſtance, and returning the ſame day, is not *poſting*," and conſequently is not *ſubject to the duty*.—This may be relied on;—and it is ſaid that ſeveral actions are already commenced againſt the farmers, to compel them to refund the money *exacted* under the title of *duty*, and that the poſtmaſters will be adduced as evidence. This branch of the revenue is now reduced to the ſame principle on which it was, whilſt under the management of the collectors of the ſtamp-duties. *Cumb. Pacquet.*

Extract of a letter from Stornaway.

"A girl of about nine years of age wandered from her father's houſe to a large moor, and was not found till 18 days after. Notwithſtanding the ſeverity of the weather, ſhe was ſtill in life, and by proper care will ſoon recover."

Extract of a letter from Dumfries, Dec. 30.

"On Saturday the brig Fortune, Capt. Charrere, arrived at the Carſe, from Gottenburh, with a cargo of iron and deals for James and Thomas Crotbie; and we hear alſo that the brig Lettis, Capt. Evening, from Peterſburgh, for James and Thomas Crotbie, loaded with hemp, flax, tallow, &c. was off our port a few days ago, but the wind being contrary, was obliged to go into Workington.

"On Sunday morning laſt, the Rev. Mr Burnſide received a letter from a perſon unknown, incloſing a guinea note to be applied for relief of the poor priſoners in the town jail—a donation at this ſevere ſeaſon well worthy of this public acknowledgment.

"Early on Sunday morning, the 21ſt inſt. two corn ſtacks and a hay ſtack, belonging to Mr John M'Dowall at Bankfield, near Glenluce, were ſet on fire, and totally conſumed. It is hoped the perpetrator of this malicious act will ſoon be diſcovered, and brought to the puniſhment a crime of ſuch enormity deſerves, as there is every poſſible reaſon to believe it was done by a perſon in that neighbourhood, a peat having been found in one of the ſtacks."

The quantity of rain which fell in Glaſgow in the year 1787, as meaſured by a rain gage, at 53 feet above the ground, was 29,351 inches; and the quantity which fell in 1788, was as follows:

INCHES.

January,	2.4
February,	.98
March,	1.72
April,	1.68
May,	.916
June,	1.251
July,	2.971
Auguſt,	1.29
September,	2.8
October,	1.7
November,	1.57
December,	.15
	19.418

FOR THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

The LORD CHANCELLOR *againſt himſelf and Mr* PITT.

IN the Lord Chancellor's ſpeech, as mentioned in your paper of Thurſday laſt, his Lordſhip aſſerts, that, "in the eye of law, the King's political "capacity is always *ſound, ſtrong*, and *entire*: That "ſtrong as his political, *is alſo his natural capacity*; "and that the King is ever eſteemed *whole* and *integral* in *his perſonal capacity*."

Now, if both the King's political and natural capacities are ever ſound and ſtrong, I beg to know what is the deficiency in the exerciſe of the Royal authority that requires to be ſupplied?

It is ſaid, however melancholy, it is a truth, that the King's mind is deranged. The caſe, therefore, ſtands thus: His Majeſty (every man muſt lament it) labours under a total incapacity of mind, yet his *natural capacity* is *ſound, ſtrong*, and *entire!* The King is, at one and the ſame time, both capable and incapable! On ſuch a ſpecies of reaſoning, the higheſt rights of the higheſt perſons, and relative to ſubjects in which the welfare of an empire is concerned, are decided!

To cover the abſurdity, if poſſible, it is ſaid, that though the King is liable to human infirmities, yet *legally* his capacities, both natural and political, are *ſound*. If that be true, the machine of Government is quite complete and perfect. It ought, therefore, ſurely to move with the ſame energy, and in the ſame direction it formerly did. How idle and abſurd is it to ſupply legal and natural incapacities, which, according to the argument, do not exiſt! And if no incapacity, legal or natural, exiſts, What hinders the King's Miniſters, and other officers, from uſing the Royal name, and carrying on the government without interruption? They did ſo a few months ago, in relation, perhaps, to a hundred acts of which the King was completely ignorant. What ſtops them now, ſince we have it from the higheſt legal authority, that his Majeſty's political and perſonal, or natural capacities, are, in law, *ſound, ſtrong*, and *entire?* The conduct of the Miniſters is utterly irreconcileable with their doctrine, as delivered by the mouth of the Lord Chancellor. Their conduct proves, that they do not believe a word of their own hypotheſis.

Farther. Mr Pitt ſays, that, from the King's indiſpoſition, the *perſonal exerciſe of the Royal authority is interrupted*. The Lord Chancellor affirms, that the King is *ever* eſteemed *whole and integral in his perſonal capacity!* The Lord Chancellor, however, in concluſion, agrees with Mr Pitt, that the King's perſonal or natural capacity, though *ſound, ſtrong*, and *entire*, requires to be ſupplied! How is this abſurdity to be accompliſhed? By committing another equally great, if not greater. By an order of the *two Houſes*, authoriſing the Lord Chancellor, or ſome other perſon, to give the *King's aſſent* to a certain bill, after theſe two Houſes have already determined, that his Majeſty has at preſent *neither will nor aſſent to give*, nor any mental capacity of any kind! Hiſtory ſurely does not record a higher abuſe of human reaſon than is diſplayed on the preſent occaſion.

A. B.

REPORT *of the* Quantities of MEAL *brought into the Meal Market of Edinburgh, with the Prices at which it ſold, Jan.* 6. 1788.

Lothian oat-meal,	196	bolls,
South Country ditto,	208	bolls,

	s.	d.	
Beſt Lothian oat-meal ſold at	12	0	per boll.
Second ditto,	11	6	
Third ditto,	11	3	
Beſt South Country ditto,	11	3	
Second ditto,	10	6	
Third ditto,	10	3	
Beſt meal ſold by retail at	0	9½	per peck.
Second ditto,	0	9	
Third ditto,	0	8½	

Thermometer and Barometer ſince our laſt:

				Ther.	Bar.
Monday,	*Jan.*	5. 8 P. M.	——	32	30.50
Tueſday,	——	6. 8 A. M.	——	33	30.50
		8 P. M.	——	36	30.50
Wedneſday,	——	7. 8 A. M.	——	36	30.30
		8 P. M.	——	35	30.16
Thurſday,	——	8. 8 A. M.	——	36	29.92

ARRIVED AT LEITH,

Jan. 6, Martha, Pale, from Portſmouth, wood.
John and William, Brodie, from North Berwick, grain.
Induſtry, Watſon, from Blackney, ditto.
Chriſtian, Somervell, from Hull, goods.
Helen, Higgins, from ditto, ditto.
7. Friends Increaſe, Jemmet, from Feverſham, apples.
Leith Packet, Thomſon, from London, goods.
Vingolf, Bell, from Newcaſtle, goods.
Three veſſels with coals.

SAILED,

Ann's Increaſe, Grieve, for North Berwick, goods.
Mercury, Barr, for Newcaſtle, ditto.
Dumpſter, Irvine, for Kirkwall, goods.
Charlotte, Lindſay, for Montroſe, ditto.

ARRIVED AT GRANGEMOUTH,

Jan. 2. Commerce, Manon, from Berwick, barley.
Betty and Margaret, Miller, from Leith, oats.
Jean, Marſhall, from ditto, deals.
Mary and Margaret, Okenhead, Alemouth, barley.
Leith Packet, Walker, from Newcaſtle, goods.
3. David and Jean, ——, from Montroſe, barley, &c.
London, Maciver, from London, goods.
Peggy and Betſey, Aikman, from Chriſtianſands, with timber.

PRICES OF CORN, AT CORN EXCHANGE.

JAN. 5.

Per Quarter.	s.	s.	d.		s.	s.	d.
Wheat,	39	to 48	0	Beans,	24	to 26	0
Barley,	21	to 23	0	Tick Beans,	20	to 22	0
Rye,	22	to 24	6	Tares,	24	to 28	0
Oats,	14	to 19	0	Flour per Stck.			
Pale Malt,	32	to 33	6				
Amber ditto,	33	to 34	0	Firſt,	40	to 42	0
Peaſe,	26	to 33	0	Second,	38	to 40	0
Hog Peaſe,	22	to 26	0	Third,	20	to 25	0

BROKE OUT OF BEDLAM.

WHEREAS MARK ROBERTSON, for ſome time a mariner, being diſordered in his mind, was put under confinement in the Correction Houſe of Edinburgh, did early on the morning of the 3d of January curt. make his eſcape therefrom by breaking through the roof of his apartment where he was confined: A reward of TWO GUINEAS is hereby offered to any perſon who will either apprehend and ſecure, or give ſuch information as ſhall be the means of apprehending and ſecuring the ſaid Mark Robertſon, to John Craw, procurator-fiſcal, Haddington, or Richard Richardſon, treaſurer to the Charity Work-houſe of Edinburgh, who will alſo pay all neceſſary charges incurred in ſecuring and detaining the ſaid Mark Robertſon.

DESCRIPTION,

He is a ſtout young man, about 28 years of age, about 5 feet 9 or 9½ inches high, rather clumſey made, broad over the ſhoulders, and ſtoops a good deal, has blue eyes, and looks wild, is rather of a fair or whitiſh complexion, and heavy countenance, has a pretty large noſe, which is high, and hangs over his upper lip. There is a mark of a ſtroke upon the top of his noſe, has a broad chin, his legs are rather ſmall, and his feet large in proportion to his body, and large joints which cauſes a hollowneſs below his knees; his head was ſhaven ſome time ago, and he looks like a perſon juſt riſen out of ſickneſs; he had on when he made his eſcape, a blue jacket, a pair of long blue trouſers down to his heels, a white great coat much tore, a pair of ſtockings, and old ſhoes without buckles.

Sale of Houſehold Furniture.

TO be SOLD by auction on Monday next, being the 12th current, at the houſe of the late Mrs Garthſhore, Goſford's Cloſe, Lawnmarket,

A great Variety of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, conſiſting of the following articles, viz.—Mahogany Tables, Chairs and Bed Steads, Feather Beds, Mirrors, Carpets, Drawers, Scrutoirs, Writing Deſks, Tea and Table China, a very conſiderable quantity of Bed and Table Linen, a Houſe Clock, Jack, and other kitchen furniture.

The roup to begin at ten o'clock, and to continue till all is ſold off

TO BE LENT

IMMEDIATELY,

THREE Thouſand Pounds Sterling, upon heritable or undoubted perſonal ſecurity, at the legal intereſt. And,

Upon the 2d February next,

The LIKE SUM, upon the ſame terms, in the above or ſmaller ſums.

Apply to Robert Roſs. No. 13. George Street.

Eſtate in Roxburghſhire to Sell.

To be SOD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 11th day of March next, between the hours of ſix and ſeven o'clock afternoon,

THE Lands and Barony of HUNTHILL, with the Teinds and pertinents, lying in the pariſh of Jedburgh, and county of Roxburgh. This eſtate contains eleven hundred acres of land, and there is about 600 of theſe acres capable of the higheſt cultivation, the ſoil being partly adapted for turnips and partly for wheat crop.

The preſent yearly rent of the farms under leaſe is,			L. 290 0
Parks in the proprietor's poſſeſſion,			40 0
Total,			L. 330 0
Deduct miniſter's ſtipend,	L. 1	13	
School ſalary,	0	5	
			1 18
Neat rent,			L. 328 2

But the farms being moſtly in a ſtate of nature, may be expected to advance conſiderably when the leaſes expire. There is a modern Manſion Houſe upon the eſtate, fit to accommodate a large family, which, with betwixt 30 and 40 acres of incloſed land adjacent to the houſe, and in the proprietor's poſſeſſion, may be immediately entered to.—The full grown wood upon the eſtate is valuable, and the young plantations extenſive, the thinings alone yielding a conſiderable ſum yearly. There is alſo an extenſive Moſs, producing excellent peats, for which there is a ready market in the town of Jedburgh, which is only a mile diſtant, and where there is a good butcher market twice a week; and ſo great are the appearances of coal in the eſtate, that colliers are at preſent making trials at the expence of the county.

For further particulars apply to the proprietor at Hunthill, or to Mr Riddell, writer to the ſignet, George Square, Edinburgh, in whoſe hands the tacks and title-deeds may be ſeen, and with whom any perſon inclining a private bargain may treat betwixt and the day of ſale.

N. B Mr Rutherfurd's ſervants at Hunthill will ſhow the boundaries of the eſtate.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Tueſday the 20th January 1789, at ſix o'clock in the evening,

THAT Houſe in St Andrew's Square,

which belonged to, and was lately poſſeſſed by the Countеſs Dowager of Hopetoun deceaſed; being the northmoſt houſe on the eaſt ſide of the ſquare, with the coachhouſes, ſtables, &c. thereto belonging.

The houſe is well laid out, and moſt ſubſtantially and completely fitted up in every reſpect, and the conveniencies in the back Court are remarkable.—It was built about fifteen years ago, not by a perſon on ſpeculation, and for ſale, but by a gentleman, for the accommodation of his own family.

The houſe may be ſeen on Tueſdays and Fridays, from twelve to three.

The articles of roup and title deeds may be ſeen in the hands of Andrew Hamilton, writer to the ſignet, who will inform as to all particulars.

Eaſy and Expeditious Travelling.

GEORGE CUDDIE, Proprietor of the Coaches which ply from Mrs Montgomery's, Graſsmarket, Edinburgh, at eight o'clock in the morning, and at the ſame hour from Mr Dunbar's, vintner, Trongate, Glaſgow; finding it to be the wiſh of many Gentlemen, and having a deſire ſtill farther to accommodate the public, has purchaſed two elegant CARRIAGES, with GOOD HORSES, which he has begun to run from the above cities, at the hour of eleven o'clock forenoon, every day, Sundays excepted.

Only Four Perſons are to be admitted at a time, and at the very reaſonable rate of EIGHT SHILLINGS EACH.

He takes this opportunity of expreſſing his moſt grateful acknowledgments to thoſe Gentlemen who have formerly countenanced him, and hopes that his future attention will merit the continuance of their favour.

N. B. Tickets for the above eleven o'clock and eight o'clock Coaches to be had of Mrs Montgomery, Graſs-market, Edinburgh; and Mr Dunbar, vintner, Trongate, Glaſgow.

TO BE SOLD OR LET,

And entered to at Whitſunday next,

THE Apartment adjoining to the Parliament-Houſe,

preſently occupied by the Director of Chancery, and his clerks.

For particulars, apply to William Balderſton, writer to the ſignet.

Sale of Subjects in Dalkeith,

Upſet Price 50*l. Reduced.*

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 21ſt of January current, between the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

ALL and Whole that TENEMENT of HOUSES, with the Garden and Pertinents, lying in the Town of Dalkeith, at the eaſt end thereof, preſently poſſeſſed by Thomas Burns, vintner there.

Theſe ſubjects are inſured in the Friendly Inſurance Office, Edinburgh, and the premium paid up. They hold feu of the Duke of Buccleugh.

For particulars, enquire at James Laidlaw, clerk to the ſignet.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

Sale of a Houſe in Writer's Court.

Upſet Price Reduced.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 28th January 1789, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

The HOUSE in the Fourth Storey of the great tenement in Writer's Court, entering by the ſcale ſtairs, lately poſſeſſed by the deceaſed Mrs Home, conſiſting of five Rooms, a Kitchen, Cellar, Garret, and many other conveniencies.—The Houſe is inſured in the Edinburgh Friendly Inſurance Office, and the premium paid up. To be ſeen any day from eleven o'clock forenoon till two o'clock afternoon.

The progreſs of writs and conditions of ſale are in the hands of William Buchan writer to the ſignet, Wardrope's Court, who has power to conclude a private bargain previous to the day of ſale.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 30th day of January curr. between the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

That neat well finiſhed Lodging or Dwelling-houſe,

being the ſecond ſtorey of that tenement of land at the north weſt corner of Windmill Street, leading to George's Square, conſiſting of dining-room, drawing-room, two bed-rooms, three cloſets, a large kitchen, and ſeveral other conveniencies, with a cellar at the bottom of the ſtair.

For particulars application may be made to Alexander Grant *tertius*, writer in Edinburgh, who will ſhew the writs.

SALE OF LANDS,

In the County of Dumfries.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Friday the ſixth day of March next, betwixt the hours of four and ſix o'clock afternoon,

LOT I.

THE Lands of ALLERBECK and pertinents thereof, lying within the pariſh of Kirkpatrick Fleming, and ſheriffdom of Dumfries, which are to be expoſed at twenty-three years purchaſe of the free proven rental, being L. 2105 7 3

The teinds of theſe lands are valued, and deducting the miniſter's ſtipend from the valued teind, there remains only ſeventeen ſhillings yearly of free teind, and the privilege of purchaſing the ſame, is valued at five years purchaſe, being 4 5 0

Upſet price of Lot I. L. 2109 12 3

Theſe lands hold blench of the Marquis of Annandale. They are pleaſantly ſituated on the water of Kirtle, about an Engliſh mile from the great turnpike road leading from Carliſle to Edinburgh, a quarter of a mile from the turnpike road from Annan to Langholm, and about three miles from Eccleſechan, a conſiderable market town, and a ſtage where the mail coaches ſtop on the roads from Edinburgh and Glaſgow to Carliſle. The lands are of a rich ſoil, and capable of great improvement. There is plenty of moſs belonging to them, and a wood of conſiderable extent, conſiſting of oak, aſh, &c. The manſion-houſe and office-houſes are in good condition.

LOT II.

The Lands of CUSHETHILL, with the tiends and pertinents thereof, lying within the pariſh of Middlebie and ſhire of Dumfries, which are to be expoſed at twenty-three years purchaſe of the free proven rent, being 1347*l.* 16 s. 11 d.

Theſe lands are held feu of the duke of Queenſberry for payment of a trifling feu-duty. They are ſituated upon the water of Mein, within a mile of the great road from Carliſle to Edinburgh and Glaſgow, and two miles from the town of Eccleſechan. There is a valuable limeſtone quarry upon theſe lands, with a ſufficiency of moſs, good farm-houſes, and a ſmall thriving young wood of oak, aſh, and fir.

The title-deeds, tacks, and articles of roup, may be ſeen in the office of Mr George Bruce, depute-clerk of Seſſion, or in the hands of Alexander Young, writer to the ſignet, agent in the ſale, to whom or to Mr George Graham at Graham's hall, by Eccleſechan, factor upon the eſtate, application may be made for information or further particulars.

A VESSEL FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by voluntary roup, within the Ship Coffeehouſe, Leith, on Monday 26th January current, at ſix o'clock in the evening,

THE SHIP

Mary Ann of Wemyſs,

A Brigantine of about 300 tons burthen, of oak and Britiſh built; with all her materials, as ſhe now lies in the harbour of Leith.

She is a ſtrong veſſel, well calculated for the Baltic trade, being of a light draught of water; ſteers well, and ſails with little or no ballaſt.

The ſhip will be ſeen by applying to Andrew Aliſon ropemaker, or James Hall merchant, Leith, who will alſo ſhow an inventory of her materials; and the rights and conditions of ſale are to be ſeen in the hands of Thomas Gordon, writer to the ſignet.

N. B. Perſons having claims againſt ſaid Veſſel, or againſt the late Captain James Pringle, are deſired immediately to lodge notes of the ſame with the ſaid Thomas Gordon;—with certification if they neglect to comply with this intimation, that after the veſſel is ſold the price will be divided among the creditors appearing, and others having intereſt, and that thereafter the expoſers are not to be liable for payment of any ſuch claims.

COUNTY OF DUMFRIES
GAME DUTY.

A List of Certificates iſſued by the Sheriff Clerk in the county aforeſaid, with reſpect to the ſaid duty, betwixt the firſt day of July and the 10th day of December, 1788.

A
Aitken John, in Rachills
Aiſton, Capt. David, reſiding at Kenmore
Armſtrong David, Eſq. of Kirtletown
Armſtrong Edward, Eſq. advocate, Sheriff-depute of the ſhire of Dumfries.

B
Babington, the Rev. Doctor William, Dumfries
Barker Thomas, at Sanquhar
Bell Walter, Eſq. of Netheralbie
Bell Richard, Eſq. of Dunnabie
Black, Lieutenant John, of the 17th regiment, reſiding at Stroquhan.

C
Calvert James, at the Tower of Sark
Carruthers William Eſq of Dormont
Clark John, Eſq of Nunland, reſiding at Locherwoods
Clark Samuel, writer, Dumfries
Cleaton William, Eſq. Vauxhall, London
Collow Thomas, Eſq of Auchenchain
Copland William, Eſq. of Colliſton
Corſon James, Eſq. jun. of Dalwhat
Creighton William, at Kirkcudbright
Creighton Robert, Eſq. of Auchenſkeoch.

D
Dalziel Robert, Eſq. of Glenae, Advocate
Donald David, Eſq. of Conheath
Douglas, Capt. William, of the 74th regiment, reſiding at Hitchell
Douglas, Lieut. John, of his Majeſty's navy, reſiding at Hitchell.

E
Ewart David, Eſq. Chancery Office, Edinburgh

G
Gilleſpie Rollo, Eſq. reſiding in Dumfries
Gilleſpie Robert, Eſq. 6th regiment of Dragoon Guards, reſiding in Dumfries
Goldie, Lieutenant Colonel Thomas, of Goldie-lee,
Goldie James, Eſq of Stenhouſe
Gordon Archibald, Eſq. jun. of Halleaths
Graham George, Eſq. of Shaw
Graham Richard, Eſq. of Blaatwood
Graham, Joſeph, at Hirſt
Greig David, Eſq. of Hallgrieg
Grierſon Sir Robert, of Lagg, Baronet
Grieve Thomas, at Girthhead.

H
Halliday Robert, Eſq. of Whinnierig
Hamilton, Capt. John, reſiding at Shaws of Cloſeburn
Harkneſs John, jun. at Holeſtaines
Harkneſs William, in Locherben
Harley John, ſurgeon in Dumfries
Henderſon George, Eſq reſiding at Craigſhaws
Henderſon William, Eſq jun. of Cleugh-heads
Heron John, Eſq. of Ingliſton
Hyſlop William, Eſq jun. of Lochend.

I
Irving John, Eſq. younger of Goolylands,
Irving, Lieut. Andrew, reſiding at Hawk's-hill
Irving David, at Polmoody

J
Jardine Alexander, Eſq. junior, of Jardine-hall
Johnſton John, Eſq. of Bellzies
Johnſton James, Eſq. of Selcoth
Johnſton George, Eſq of Cowhill
Johnſton William, Eſq. of Clerkleath
Johnſton John, Eſq. reſiding at Charlesfield

K
Keir William, Eſq. at Milnholm
Kennedy Joſeph, ſurgeon at Murrayfield
Kirkpatrick Sir James, of Cloſeburn, Bart.
Kirkpatrick Alexander, at Nether Keir

L
Lawſon William, Eſq. of Girth-head
Lidderdale, William Roberton, Eſq. of Caſtlemilk
Lorrimer George, Eſq of Holmhead
Lowther George, Eſq. junior, of Dornock

M
Macadam, Lieut. C. K. late of the 98th regiment
Macartney John, Eſq of Halketleaths
Macmurdo John, Eſq. reſiding at Drumlanrig
M'Kenzie Simon, writer in Dumfries
M'Lurk James, Eſq. of Stromilligan
Maitland, John Buſhby, Eſq. of Eccles
Maxwell Sir William of Sprinkell, Bart.
Maxwell Patrick, Eſq. ſon of Sir William Maxwell of Springkell, Bart.
Maxwell James, Eſq. of Kirkconnell
Maxwell Wellwood, Eſq. of Barncleugh
Maxwell, Lieut. George, reſiding at Broomholm
Maxwell Thomas, at Drumpark
Maxwell John, merchant in Dumfries
Miller Patrick, Eſq. of Dalſwinton
Milligan Eliezer, ſurgeon at Carlinwark
Moffat Edward, Eſq. of Shillingland
Menteath, the Rev. Mr James Stuart, of Cloſeburn
Menteath, Charles Grenville, Eſq. junior, of Cloſeburn
Murray John, Eſq. of Murraythwaite

N
Newall John, Eſq. reſiding at Rammerſkailla
Newall, Lieut. William, at Rammerſkailla
Newall David, writer in Dumfries
Nicholſon, Michael Stewart, Eſq. of Carnock

P
Park David, in Upperfeddling

R
Rae James, reſiding in Moffat
Ramſay James, Eſq. of Drungans
Richardſon George, Eſq. junior, of Piercybie-hall
Richardſon John, Eſq. of Buſh
Richardſon Robert, in Lochmaben
Riddell Walter, Eſq. of Cookſtown
Riddick William, Eſq. of Corbiton
Robſon Michael, poſtmaſter in Annan
Ruſſell Robert, watchmaker in Moffat

S
Scott, Capt. James, at Forge
Scott Ninian, Eſq. of Carcoſide
Scott John, at Hopſrigg
Sharp Charles Eſq. of Hoddam
Smith Eaglesfield, Eſq. of Longſhaw
Smith James, Eſq. junior, of Cormilligan
Smith Alexander, at Maxwelton
Smith Leonard, reſiding in Dumfries
Staig David, Eſq. Dumfries
Stewart, Colonel Alexander, M. P. London
Stewart Samuel, Eſq. reſiding at Templand
Stewart William, Eſq. reſiding at Hillſide
Stipheſon William, vintner at Gratna-hall
Syme John, Eſq. junior, of Barcailzie

V
Veitch, Lieut. Henry, of the regiment of foot, reſiding at

W
Welſh George, Eſq. at Morton Mains
Wemyſs Lieut. Andrew, reſiding in Dumfries
Wylie Thomas, merchant at Leehouſes
Williamſon Samuel, in Auchinbreck

Y
Yorſton the Rev. Mr James, miniſter of the goſpel at Hoddam

DEPUTATIONS.
Gamekeepers names, and by whom appointed.

A
Alexander James, in Marjoryhill—gamekeeper to Sir James Kirkpatrick, of Cloſeburn, Bart.

B
Bell William—to George Maxwell, Eſq. of Munchies
Black John, vintner, Newtonſtewart—to Charles Warner Dunbar, Eſq. of Machermoor
Brockie Thomas—to Captain William Jardine of Applegirth

C
Crockat John, in Sandbed of Cowhill—to Robert Brown, Eſq. of Milnhead

D
Davidſon Thomas, at Iſle of Dalton—to John Murray, Eſq of Murraythwaite
Dickſon Joſeph, at Ruthwell—to Lord Stormont

G
Gordon Thomas, at Cuil—to Samuel Gordon, Eſq. of Lochdougan

H
Harkneſs George, at Langholm Caſtle—to his Grace Henry Duke of Buccleugh
Harper Robert, at Crockroy—to William Johnſtone, Eſq. of Clackleath

J
Johnſtone James, at Bentpath—to Sir James Johnſtone, of Weſterhall, Bart.

K
Kirkpatrick Thomas, at Dalſwinton—to Patrick Miller, Eſq. of Dalſwinton
Kirkpatrick Samuel, at Hallmyre—to William Douglas, Eſq. of Gilliſtown

L
Lindſay Thomas, at Caſtlemilk—to William Roberton Lidderdale, Eſq. of Caſtlemilk

M
M'George Patrick, in Braco—to John Syme, Eſq. of Barncailzie, factor for James Anderſon, Eſq of Lincloudan

N
Neilſon Joſeph, at Lakehead—to the Rev. Mr Ja. Stuart Menteath of Cloſeburn

P
Paterſon William, ſervant to Lady Carnwath—to Sir Robert Grierſon, of Lagg, Bart.

R
Reid Robert, at Glen of Almerneſs—to John Heron, Eſq. of Ingliſton
Riddell Geo. James—to Robert Riddell, Eſq of Carzield
Rome Andrew, at Ruthwell—to Charles Sharpe, Eſq. of Hoddam

S
Smith Ja. in Locharthur—to John Little, Eſq. of Drum
Smith William, at Maxwellton—to Thomas Goldie, Eſq. of Craigmuie

U
Underwood William—to Mrs Sarah Lowthian, Dumfries

By order of his Majeſty's Commiſſioners for managing the Stamp-duties,
JOHN BRETTEL, Secretary.

SALE OF A DISTILLERY, &c.

TO be SOLD, on Wedneſday the 21ſt of January 1789, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouſe, between the hours of five and ſeven o'clock in the afternoon,

The HERITABLE SUBJECTS, belonging to JAMES HAIG and Co. in three lots, viz.

Lot 1. Comprehending the Dwelling-Houſe and Offices, with the parks and policy ſurrounding the ſame, preſently poſſeſſed by the ſaid James Haig, purchaſed by him from the truſtees of the deceaſed James M'Dowal of Canonmills;—and alſo the leaſe of an adjoining Park, lying immediately to the weſt of the policy.

The Policy conſiſts of about five acres of ground, beſides the above park held in leaſe, and the dwelling-houſe is beautifully ſituated on an eminence, commanding a moſt delightful proſpect of the Frith of Forth, New Town of Edinburgh, and the adjoining country.

Lot 2. To comprehend the Diſtillery, with the whole ſhades, cellars, warehouſes, and other appurtenances, including that piece of ground, weſt of the Canonmill Bridge, and to the north of the low road, from the Dean-haugh to Canonmills, with the houſes erected thereon, together alſo with the Diſtillery Utenſils.

Lot 3. The Houſes and Yard, lying to the weſt of Canonmills, formerly occupied as an Ale Brewery, but now converted into a rectifying-houſe, with the whole Utenſils therein.

N. B. The two laſt lots will be expoſed without the utenſils, if purchaſers may incline; and if more agreeable to purchaſers, lots 1ſt and 3d will be expoſed in one lot.

For further particulars apply to David Steuart, banker in Edinburgh, and George Leſlie merchant there, truſtees on the ſequeſtrated eſtate of the ſaid James Haig and Company, or to John Taylor, writer to the ſignet.

Sale of Houſe and Parks of Dalry.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, upon Wedneſday the 4th February 1789,

THE HOUSE and PARKS of DALRY, ſituated about half-a-mile weſt of the city of Edinburgh. The parks conſiſt of about 24 acres, very rich ground, excluſive of one acre which has been feued out at 9 l. yearly, the feu-duty of which is to be ſold along with the lands. The houſe conſiſts of three ſtories: in the firſt orground ſtory, there is a very good dining room, ſmall room off it, ſervants hall & a range of very good cellars: in the ſecond ſtory, there is a large drawing room, and three bed rooms with cloſets: and in the third ſtory, there is a large room for a library, and three bed rooms with cloſets.—Without the houſe is a kitchen, with two very good ſervants rooms over it, and two cellars, one for coals, the other for aſhes. The Offices conſiſt of a coach-houſe, ſtables for ten or twelve horſes, and a byre, with hay-lofts and ſervants apartments.—Theſe ſubjects hold of the Crown for payment of a feu-duty of about 4 s. yearly. They are liable to no public burdens, excepting the land tax and about 4 s. yearly of ſtipend; and they have right to a family-ſeat in the body of the Weſt Church, and to a ſeat for ſervants in the gallery.

John Tait, writer to the ſignet, Park-Place, will inform as to further particulars. The premiſſes will be ſhown upon applying at the houſe of Dalry from twelve to three o'clock every dry.

Lands in Berwickſhire to be Sold.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 14th January 1789, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

THE KIRKLANDS, MANSION, and GLEBE of the pariſh of Baſſendean, and the Five Merk Land of Baſſendean; alſo thoſe Parts of the Lands of Weſtruther, known by the name of *Broomiebank*, and thoſe Parts of ſaid Lands, let in leaſe to Thomas and James Niſbet, and Mr William Shiells.

The turnpike road from Edinburgh to Greenlaw runs through theſe lands, which lie in the pariſh of Weſtruther and ſhire of Berwick, they are moſtly arable, in excellent order, and the offices lately built.

If the Lands are not ſold together, they will be expoſed in two lots.

Lot I. The Lands of Broomiebank, and thoſe parts of Weſtruther let to Thomas and James Niſbet, and Mr William Shiells.

Lot II. The Kirklands and Five-Merk Lands of Baſſendean.

The progreſs of writs and articles of ſale are in the hands of William Finlayſon, writer, Edinburgh; to whom, or to the proprietor at Baſſendean, thoſe wanting further information, or to purchaſe by private bargain, may apply.

TO BE LET FURNISHED,

THE Houſe of North Merchiſton, ſituated upon the road to Glaſgow, and not diſtant above 20 minutes walk from the Croſs of Edinburgh, or a quarter of an hour from the New Town. The Houſe conſiſts of a hall, a dining-room, drawing-room, four bed-chambers and cloſets, two bed-rooms without fires, and two good garrets for ſervants. Alſo a houſekeeper's room which ſerves for a ſtore-room, a kitchen, ſcullery, ſervants room, pantry, cellars, larder, milk-houſe, mangle-houſe, ſtable, coach-houſe, and byre. The entry to the houſe to be at Whitſunday next, or as ſoon as ſhall be deſired.

The tenant may be accommodated with ſuch a quantity of Ground as he ſhall incline, at a ſuitable rent.

There is a perſon in the houſe who can ſhow it, and for particulars enquire at Mr Adam, the proprietor, in George Street, who will treat with any perſon that would rather chuſe a purchaſe.

Houſe to be Sold.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Thurſday the 29th January inſtant, between the hours of five and ſix o'clock afternoon,

The DWELLING HOUSE in Prince's Street, being No. 27, preſently poſſeſſed by the Honourable Henry Erſkine, Advocate, with the coach-houſe and ſtables in the Mews Lane, between Prince's Street and Roſe Street.

The houſe conſiſts of the two principal ſtories, and a ſunk ſtorey, and has the whole back ground to the Mews Lane, the coach-houſe and ſtables being built on the adjoining property.

The conditions of ſale to be ſeen in the hands of Francis and John Anderſons, writers to the ſignet, who have powers to conclude a private bargain, any time before the day of ſale.

The houſe may be ſeen every Monday, Wedneſday, and Friday, before the day of ſale, between the hours of twelve and two o'clock.

To be SOLD, in the Globe Tavern, on the Shore of Leith, on Tueſday 20th January 1789, at ſix in the evening,

THat TENEMENT of HOUSES, and hall pertinents, lying at the foot of the Tolbooth Wynd in Leith, preſently poſſeſſed by Nicol Bell coppersmith, and others.

This ſubject is in a moſt centrical part of the town, where a capital ſhop may be fitted up at little expence, being very near the end of the Bridge now building acroſs the Harbour, at the North Quay.

For particulars, apply to Alexander Nielſon, Solicitor-at-law.

TO BE SOLD,
Houſes in Shakeſpeare and St James's Square,
AND
A HOUSE AND GARDEN AT PORTO BELLO

In Shakeſpeare Square.

I.

ONE half of the Street Flat of Hill's middle Tenement there, conſiſting of three rooms, kitchen, and cellar, poſſeſſed at preſent by Mr Woods of the Theatre-Royal—Rent L. 18 0 0

II. A large SHOP and HOUSE, conſiſting of two rooms, kitchen, and cellar, all entering on a level with the ſtreet, and poſſeſſed by Mr Walker, baker—Rent 20 0 0

III. A HOUSE of ſeven rooms, kitchen, and two cellars, entering by one pair of ſtairs from the ſtreet, and poſſeſſed by Mrs Lindſay—Rent 45 0 0

In St James's Square.

I. A HOUSE entering by two pair of ſtairs from the ſtreet, conſiſting of ſix rooms, kitchen, and cellars, poſſeſſed by T. Hill the proprietor,—Rent 45 0 0

N.B. This is amongſt the beſt Lodgings of the kind in Edinburgh—the dining-room is eighteen feet ſquare—the drawing room thirty by twenty, and there are twelve feet clear between the floor and the ceiling.

II. The HOUSE immediately above the one laſt mentioned, conſiſting of ſix rooms, kitchen, and cellar, preſently let to John M'Neil, Eſq;—Rent 25 0 0

N.B. The aforeſaid two houſes may be conveniently occupied as one, or a part of the uppermoſt flat may be taken into the under flat, and the remainder let off, as there is a ſpace reſerved for a ſtair in the inſide.

At Porto Bello

A HOUSE and GARDEN.—The houſe is built with brick, and conſiſts of two ſtoreys, of three rooms and a kitchen each, with ſmall offices at the eaſt end. Is well adapted either for a public houſe, being ſituated half way betwixt Edinburgh and Muſſelburgh, or for bathing quarters, being near the ſea, and having the conveniency of ſtage coaches, paſſing almoſt every other hour of the day. The Garden is about half an Engliſh acre, has a pump-well of exceeding good water in the middle, and is incloſed by a wall almoſt eight feet high.

Beſides the houſes above particulariſed in Shakeſpeare's Square, there are others there rented at from 21 l. to 10 l. and from 10 l. to 26 l. which are alſo to be diſpoſed of, if purchaſers ſhall appear.

For further particulars apply to the proprietor as above, or to Robert Boſwell writer to the ſignet.

Judicial Sale of Lands,
In the County of Dumfries.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, on Thurſday the 15th of February next, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

THE MAINS of the CASTLE of LOCHMABEN, and Teinds thereof, with the Miln of HITAE, and other pertinents of the ſame, lying within the pariſh of Lochmaben, and ſheriffdom of Dumfries, with the twenty-one Corn Multure of the whole twenty pound Land of Lochmaben, the free yearly rental of which is proved to be 129 l. 12 s. 3 d. 6-12ths.

Theſe lands are held feu of the Viſcount of Stormont for payment of 200 merks Scots, or 11 l. 2 s. 2 d. 8-12ths yearly; and are to be expoſed at 23 years purchaſe of the free proven rental, amounting to 2981 l. 2 s. 8 d. 6 12ths

The Caſtlemains are beautifully ſituated on an extenſive lake, in the neighbourhood of Lochmaben. The Caſtle, which formerly belonged to the Royal Family of Bruce, and now to the Viſcount of Stormont, ſituated upon theſe lands, is reſerved in the feu-right thereof, but the property of the lake, in which there is found a great abundance and variety of fiſh, particularly that rare ſpecies called Vendace and Juvengis, paſſes with the Caſtlemains.

The Miln of Hitae, with the twenty-one Corn Multure of the whole twenty pound Land of Lochmaben, which are included in this ſale, are valued in the proven rental at no more than 4 l. Sterling yearly, which the witneſſes depone to be the value of the Multures as preſently drawn; but at ſame time they depone, that if the whole thirle were to attend the miln, and pay the twenty-one grain, for which they are aſtricted, (and reſpecting which, there is a proceſs preſently depending before the Court of Seſſion,) the multures would be worth not leſs than 20 l Sterling yearly.

The title-deeds and articles of roup, may be ſeen in the hands of Mr Callander, depute-clerk of Seſſion; or in the hands of Alexander Young, writer to the ſignet, agent in the ſale, who will alſo ſhow the tacks and the plan of the eſtate; and further information may be had by applying to him, or to Mr William Stewart at Hillſide, factor upon the eſtate.

SALE OF BROAD CLOTHS, &c.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 4th of February next, between the hours of ſive and ſix o'clock afternoon,

The WHOLE STOCK of Broad Cloths, Shalloons, Swandowns, and others, belonging to Archibald M'Dowall, merchant and broad-cloth manufacturer in Edinburgh, lying within his ware-room there, in one or more lots, as purchaſers ſhall incline.

And on Wedneſday the 18th of February next, at the ſame place and hour,

The whole Stock of Wool, Yarn, Broad Cloths, Manufacturing Utenſils, and others, belonging to the ſaid Archibald M'Dowall, lying at his Broad Cloth Factory at Brunſtain Mill, about four miles eaſt of Edinburgh, in one or more lots.

The Goods in the ware-room at Edinburgh may be ſeen every lawful day, between eleven o'clock forenoon, and two afternoon. Thoſe at the Broad Cloth Factory will be ſhown at any time by Mr M'Dowall, or by Thomas Banniſter, ſervant there; and inventories of the goods, with copies of the articles of roup, are in the hands of Mr Donald Smith, banker in Edinburgh, Thomas Baird writer there, and Meſſrs Fleming and Douglas merchants in Glaſgow.

FARMS TO LET.

To be Let for Nineteen Years, and entered to immediately,

I. THE Farm of Dalmeny Mains, conſiſting of 220 acres, or thereby, lying in the pariſh of Dalmeny, and county of Linlithgow. This farm is well incloſed, and poſſeſſes every advantage both of ſoil and ſituation.

II. The Farm of LITTLE OCHILTREE, conſiſting of 130 acres or thereyy, lying in the pariſh and county of Linlithgow. This farm is well incloſed, and preſently in graſs.

III. The Farm of REDSIDE, in the pariſh of Primroſe and county of Edinburgh, conſiſting of 300 acres or thereby, incloſed with ſtone dikes, and which has been in paſture above twelve years.

IV. The Mill and Mill Lands of PRIMROSE, conſiſting of upwards of 80 acres or thereby, lying adjacent to the farm laſt mentioned, entirely in graſs.

V. PRIMROSE OLD INCLOSURES, conſiſting of 110 acres or thereby of old graſs

Alſo, PRIMROSE MUIR, conſiſting of a large tract of land, excellent ſheep paſture.

And the Farm of FATLIPS, containing about 52 acres, or thereby, all in graſs.

LIKEWISE,

The COAL of PRIMROSE, an excellent going coal, level-free.

Perſons willing to treat for any of theſe farms will pleaſe apply to Samuel Mitchelſon, Eſq. writer to the ſignet, Nicolſon Street, or to Mr Young ſolicitor at law, Merchant Street, Edinburgh, or at Barnbougle Caſtle, by Queenſferry.

FIFE-SHIRE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within Pool's Coffeehouſe, Prince's Street, Edinburgh, on Friday the 23d day of January 1789, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

THE following Lands, which belonged to Walter Barclay of Pittachop, deceaſed, lying in the county of Fife, in lots:

Lot I. Theſe Parts of the Lands of KINLOCH, lying in the pariſh of Colleſſie, poſſeſſed by Andrew and Oliver Thomſons, under a leaſe for 99 years after Michaelmas 1779, at a free rent of 70 l. Sterling; held of the Crown, and ſtated in the ceſs books at upwards of 400 l. of valued rent.

Lot II. The Lands of FOXTON, lying in the pariſh of Caupar, poſſeſſed by Henry Weſt, under a tack granted for 99 years after Michaelmas 1773, at a free rent of 30 l. Sterling; alſo held of the Crown, and retoured to a forty-ſhilling land of old extent before 1681.

Any perſon, viewing the quality and extent of theſe lands, will be ſatisfied that they are poſſeſſed at eluſory rents.

For farther particulars, apply to Mr Beveridge, No. 24. Prince's Street.

Lands in the County of Banff.

There is to be SOLD by Private Bargain, in the County of Banff,

A CAPITAL ESTATE of great extent, well accommodated in every particular, and free of all incumbrances. There is already built upon the premiſſes, a capacious and convenient Manſion-houſe, in a moſt agreeable ſituation and neighbourhood; and the MAINS, at preſent in the Heritor's natural poſſeſſion, is a valuable FARM, upon which great ſums have been lately expended, in bringing it into a proper ſtate of cultivation, laying down the fields in graſs, &c.—The woods, round the houſe and adjacent fields, are very extenſive, and moſtly full grown. The property holds of the Crown, and is of conſiderable political importance.

Any perſon wiſhing to be poſſeſſed of a moſt deſirable eſtate in that part of the country, may apply to George Robinſon, clerk to the ſignet, Queen Street, Edinburgh, who can communicate particulars, and is empowered to conclude a bargain.

Sale of Lands in Fifeſhire.

To be SOLD by Private Bargain,

THE Lands and Eſtate of WEST BOGIE, lying in the pariſh of Abbotſhall, and county of Fife.

Theſe lands, which are ſituated within two meaſured miles of Kirkcaldy, are completely incloſed and ſubdivided, the incloſures all fencible and well watered; the clumps and belts of planting, conſiſting of 15 acres, are in a thriving condition, are properly placed for inclosing as well as beautifying the ground, and the weedings already yield good returns, and will ſoon be of very conſiderable value. The lands are ſubject to no thirlage, and the teinds valued.

There are on the premiſſes a ſubſtantial Manſion-houſe, conſiſting of nine rooms, a kitchen, cellars, and garret, and a complete farm-ſtead, which were all built a few years ago.

There are alſo on the premiſſes a pigeon-houſe, garden, and orchard, all well ſtocked; and an excellent lime quarry, to which a drain has lately been brought up at a conſiderable expence.

The lands have been for ſeveral years paſt, and preſently are, in the natural poſſeſſion of the proprietor, who, from the offers which have been made to him, does not entertain the leaſt doubt of their yielding, on the ſuppoſition of a moderate rent being put on the manſion-houſe, garden, orchard, pigeon-houſe, &c. 200 l. Sterling per annum, excluſive of the planting.

Theſe lands hold of the Crown, and entitle the proprietor to vote in the election of a member of Parliament for the County.

As alſo, the LANDS of PRINLAWS, with the teinds thereof, pigeon-houſe, and garden, lying in the pariſh of Leſlie, and likewiſe in Fifeſhire. Theſe lands are ſituated on the bank of the water of Leven, in the vicinity of the populous village of Leſlie, are all incloſed and ſubdivided, and the ſtrips and clumps of planting thriving, and of conſiderable value.

There are a bleachfield, and a barley and lint-mill upon the premiſſes. The free yearly rent of the whole is about 80 l. Sterling; and, as the greateſt part of the ground is ſet from year to year, an increaſe of rent, upon granting leaſes of moderate endurance, may reaſonably be expected. The lands are held feu of a ſubject ſuperior, and liable to no thirlage,

The title-deeds and rentals of the whole premiſſes, are in the hands of George Andrew writer in Edinburgh, who has power to treat and conclude a bargain with intending purchaſers, and to whom, or the proprietor at Weſter Bogie, thoſe who mean to purchaſe, and are deſirous of further information, are requeſted to apply.

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